

## PERSHING FAVORS VOLUNTEER FORCE

Would Have Veterans Form  
Skeleton Army Organ-  
ization.

RETAINS NAMES OF UNITS

Universal Training Graduates  
Would Fill Out Ranks in  
Emergencies.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—A volunteer force of officers and men who served in

the great war, so organized as to preserve war time designations of units, was proposed to the Military Committee of Congress today by Gen. Pershing as the basis of a permanent reserve to be maintained in future by universal service.

Until universal training got under way, he told the committee, divisions of smaller units now disbanded could be brought back into existence on paper, with enough volunteers from their former personnel to make up the skeleton of a continuous reserve system.

Later, he continued, men emerging from universal training camps could be assigned to these reserve units in their home localities. He suggested that the men thus assigned be assembled for drill or maneuvers "once or twice during the period they are held for public service" after training, though they could not be actually called into active service except in time of war.

The General said the problem of fitting in this plan with any continuance of the National Guard as such was a difficult one. He suggested that authority to call the reserves into service in local emergencies, might be given to Governors, but preferred that their train-

ing and organizations be distinctly Federal.

Gen. Pershing also declared his preference for army promotions by selection rather than seniority, and recommended a single list for promotions. In that way, he said, much "dead timber" could be eliminated and existing inequalities between staff and line removed. The present promotion system he characterized as "absurd."

In reducing the army from 500,000 to 300,000 men, the General said only a very small reduction could be made in the number of staff officers.

"We had 2,500 on our staff in France for an army of 2,000,000 men," he said. "We should have needed the same number for half as many."

"Nearly every army officer goes around with a reorganization bill in his vest pocket," said Gen. Pershing, "and if you examine them you will find each has one arranging good promotions in his own service."

In France we assigned officers to duty without regard to what their previous service had been, and they performed efficient service."

Chairman Wadsworth (N. Y.) said some recent promotions had created

disparities for sixteen cavalry regiments. Gen. Pershing said his scheme would prevent that.

"Staff officers have been able to come to Congress," Gen. Pershing added, "and get promotions to the exclusion of promotions for officers of the actual fighting arm."

When the proposed consolidation of the chemical warfare service with the engineer corps was taken up a committeeman asked if the use of poison gas should not be eliminated.

"I'd be glad to see that," Gen. Pershing returned, "but somebody else might use it and leave us in the lurch. I would continue preparation for chemical warfare."

The National Guard performed excellent service in the war, considering its limited opportunity for training," said the General. "Its officers and men had the feeling, and quite properly so, that they had not had complete support from the regular army."

Gen. Pershing was asked to explain exactly what his theory was for utilizing the National Guard in connection with the military establishment.

"I think it would be wise to take all troops that have seen war service in

National Guard units and induct them into the Federal reserve units," he answered. "The National Guard could be kept as part of the training service."

Gen. Pershing said he would favor passing the trained men into reserve organizations and calling them into service automatically when their unit was needed.

"You wouldn't have a selective draft, then?" Representative Miller pursued.

"I think the other would be the better plan," said Gen. Pershing.

One year enlistments in the regular army, Gen. Pershing said, should be continued and men enlisting for that period should be exempted from universal training.

### French Sue Lehigh Road.

The French Government brought suit yesterday against the Lehigh Chemical Company and the Lehigh Valley Railroad, alleging failure to deliver consignments of explosives and steel billets, respectively. Judgment of \$28,782 is sought from the chemical company and \$45,684 from the railroad. The suits were filed in the Federal District Court by White & Case, attorneys for the French republic.

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